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Chickens* & Eggs

*Excluding Broilers



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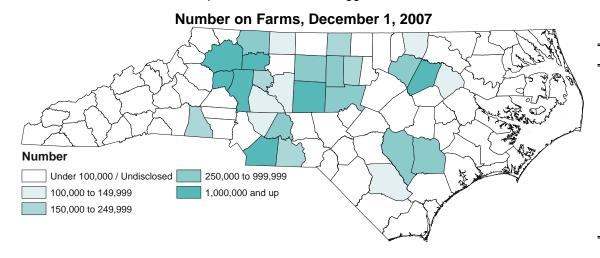
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North Carolina

Quick Facts

- At 20.8 million head, North Carolina ranks 9th and accounts for 4.6% of all chicken production in the United States.
- Record number of chickens raised in North Carolina was in 1969 at 22.1 million birds.
- North Carolina farmers produced 2.96 million eggs in 2007, 324,000 more than in 2006.



Leading Chicken Producing Counties

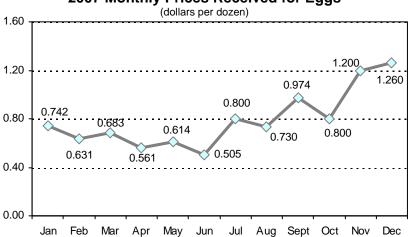
Leading Counties ¹	Head
Alexander	1,790,000
Nash	1,720,000
Yadkin	1,650,000
Iredell	1,505,000
Union	1,300,000
Randolph	1,240,000
Wilkes	1,020,000
Duplin	740,000
Chatham	680,000
Sampson	665,000

¹Ranking of Published Counties Only

Eggs
Total Produced, Table & Hatching

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Year	Eggs Produced	Table Eggs	Hatching Eggs
	(million)	(million)	(million)
1998	2,555	1,026	1,529
1999	2,587	1,006	1,581
2000	2,501	975	1,526
2001	2,535	930	1,605
2002	2,518	919	1,599
2003	2,523	963	1,560
2004	2,523	965	1,558
2005	2,573	951	1,622
2006	2,636	993	1,643
2007	2,960	1,269	1,691

2007 Monthly Prices Received for Eggs



Chicken Inventory

